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## **81-Year-Old Man Sentenced for Sexually Abusing 8-Year-Old Girl**

An elderly Manhattan Beach man was sentenced today to more than 27 years to life in state prison for sexually abusing an 8-year-old girl while her and her family visited his home for a weekend, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

A jury found Robert Dean Lee (dob 1/28/35) guilty on March 2 of four counts of lewd act upon a child, and one count each of oral copulation or sexual penetration with child 10 years old or younger and possession of child or youth pornography.

Deputy District Attorney Frank Dunnick with the Victim Impact Program at the Torrance Branch said Lee also was ordered to register as a sex offender.

The victim and her family stayed with the defendant and his wife from July 25, 2014 and July 28, 2014. During that stay, Lee repeatedly sexually abused the girl and provided her with sex toys and a book on sexuality, according to evidence presented during the five-day trial.

During the investigation of the lewd conduct, more than 20,000 child pornography images were discovered after a forensic search of the defendant's computer, the prosecutor said.

Lee is a former airline pilot and U.S. Navy lieutenant commander, the prosecutor added.

Case YA091322 was investigated by the Manhattan Beach Police Department.

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